

General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 346

February Session, 2012

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AN ACT CREATING A REGIONAL COMPOSTING FACILITY SITING TASK FORCE.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) (a) There is established a task force
- 2 to study suitable sites on which to sensibly locate regional composting
- 3 facilities to further the purposes of public act 11-217. As part of its
- 4 responsibilities, the task force shall recommend criteria by which to
- 5 determine whether a particular site is suitable for a regional
- 6 composting facility, and shall establish a list of sites in the state that
- 7 meet such criteria.
- 8 (b) The task force shall consist of the following members:
- 9 (1) Two persons appointed by the chairpersons of the joint standing
- 10 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters
- 11 relating to planning and development, one of whom shall be an
- 12 individual with administrative responsibilities at a privately-run
- 13 facility that generates an average of at least one hundred four tons of
- 14 source-separated organic materials a year;
- 15 (2) Two persons appointed by the chairpersons of the joint standing
- 16 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters
- 17 relating to the environment, one of whom shall be an individual who
- 18 handles food waste material;

- 19 (3) The Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection, or 20 the commissioner's designee;
- 21 (4) One representative of the Connecticut Resources Recovery 22 Authority;
- 23 (5) One representative of the Housatonic Resources Recovery 24 Authority;
- 25 (6) One representative of the Southeastern Connecticut Regional 26 Resources Recovery Authority;
- (7) One representative of the Bristol Resource Recovery Facility
 Tunxis Recycling Operating Committee;
- 29 (8) One representative from the Wallingford Regional Solid Waste 30 Project; and
- 31 (9) A member of the Connecticut Chapter of American Planners.
- (c) All appointments to the task force shall be made not later than thirty days after the effective date of this section. Any vacancy shall be filled by the appointing authority.
- 35 (d) The Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection, or 36 the commissioner's designee, shall serve as the chairperson of the task 37 force. The commissioner or designee shall schedule the first meeting of 38 the task force, which shall be held not later than sixty days after the 39 effective date of this section.
- 40 (e) The task force shall be within the Department of Energy and 41 Environmental Protection for administrative purposes.
- (f) Not later than January 1, 2013, the task force shall submit a report on its findings and recommendations to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to the environment and planning and development, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes. The task force shall

- 47 terminate on the date that it submits such report or February 1, 2013,
- 48 whichever is later.

This act shal sections:	s act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following tions:			
Section 1	from passage	New section		

Statement of Legislative Commissioners:

The provisions of subsection (c) concerning membership on the task force of members of the General Assembly were deleted to avoid repetition of provisions of section 2-5 of the general statutes.

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